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[Reports to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

Summary of work in Chinatown, San Francisco, for the week ended October 1, 1904.

The following is received from Passed Assistant Surgeon Blue, under date of October 3:

Week ended October 1.

Buildings reinspected	281
Rooms	2, 232
Persons inspected	3, 305
Sick	26
Sick prescribed for at Oriental Dispensary	15
Dead examined	10
Necropsies	5
Rats examined bacteriologically	75
Number showing pest infection	0
Places limed and disinfected	1, 087
Blocks covered with rat poison	12
Times streets swept	3
Sewers flushed	18
Notices sent to abate plumbing nuisance	8
Abated	3
Undergoing abatement	11
Total number plumbing inspections	131

Malarial fever on British steamship Freshfield from Dakkar, South Africa, at Santa Rosa Quarantine, Florida.

Acting Assistant Surgeon White reports, September 26, as follows:

The British steamship *Freshfield* arrived at this quarantine station yesterday from Dakkar, South Africa, with 9 cases of sickness aboard, and a record of much sickness and 1 death during voyage.

The steamer left Dakkar on the 7th inst. with clean bills of health.

The patients, who appear to be suffering from malarial fevers, have all been removed to the station hospital.

A sample of the drinking water, taken in at Dakkar, will be forwarded to Sanitary Inspector Porter for analysis.

The steamer is being thoroughly cleaned, fumigated, and put in a sanitary condition generally.